SENATE BILL 4102

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 51, relative to certain local government personnel policies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 51, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section ____. If a municipality or county has or implements a personnel policy that places an employee on leave for any period of time immediately following any arrest of the employee, the municipality or county must also implement a policy of restoring the back pay to the employee if the charges are dropped or the employee is found not guilty of the charges. Such a requirement shall not apply if the employee pleads guilty to the charges or enters into a plea agreement on the charges.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.